

# Acting Secretary and CEO Report to the Board

April 26, 2021



# Safety Legislation



An Act Relative to Improving Safety on the Roads of the Commonwealth” includes a variety of provisions aimed at improving road safety for all commuters and updating our travel laws:

- Haley’s Law expansion
- Primary Seatbelt
- Traffic Camera Enforcement Local Option
- Bicycle Safe Passing
- Commercial Driver Licenses updates
- Crash Data Reporting
- Side Guards and Additional Mirrors
- Low-Speed Mobility Devices Advisory Working Group



# April is Organ / Tissue Donation Month

In April, the RMV joined New England Donor Services to promote organ and tissue donor awareness; approx. 2.65 million customers are enrolled as organ and tissue donors in Massachusetts with a license, permit or identification card.



Lynn



Springfield



Braintree



Worcester



REGISTRY OF MOTOR VEHICLES





# Shared Winter Streets and Spaces

## MassDOT Announces \$5.3 Million in Shared Winter Streets & Spaces Program Funding Awards

Funding provided to 36 municipalities and two public transit agencies for new trail connections, bus shelters, traffic calming, bikeshare stations, and areas for outdoor dining and community activities



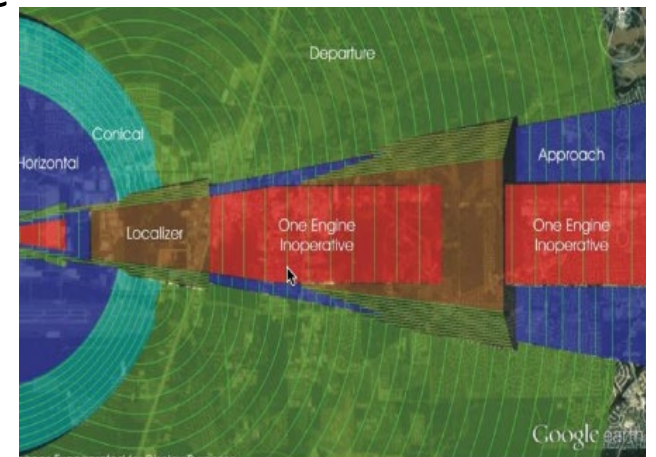


# Airport Obstruction Analysis Improvements

- In 2020, Aeronautics teams conducted over 120+ drone flights at 28+ airports to collect data on tree and vegetative obstructions in runway approaches
  - Electro Optical (EO) sensors were used to convert data into ortho-mosaics and point cloud data for analysis
  - This data is being utilized along with CAD modeling and GIS software to identify obstructions to visual approaches that are required to meet FAA Part 77 obstruction standards and FAA Engineering Brief (EB99A - Table 3-2) airport surface requirements
- This project enhances airport safety by providing the data analytic products needed to identify airspace obstructions and effectively meet the goals of the Statewide Airport Vegetation Management Program



MassDOT Crew Prepares for Drone Mission



FAA Airport Approach Conical Surfaces Chart

# FY22 Community Transit Grant Program

The annual competitive grant program awards money to be used for transit operating costs, mobility management, or new capital investments.

MassDOT Transit Division's next round of the Community Transit Grant Program (CTGP) for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2022 will open this month.

We are holding remote application trainings in April that will cover program eligibility and requirements, the online application process, and tips for submitting a successful proposal.

The two online trainings are scheduled for  
**Tuesday, April 27, and Thursday, April 29, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

The application period is scheduled to open on  
**Friday, April 30, and close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 25, 2021.**

Visit [mass.gov/community-transit-grant-program](https://mass.gov/community-transit-grant-program) for more information



# American Rescue Plan Act Funding Update

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- Through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), MassDOT has available for distribution a total of \$3,181,058 in Section 5311 Formula funding, as well as \$86,355 for Section 5311(b) funding for the Massachusetts Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP) and an additional \$562,967 for the Section 5311(f) funding for intercity bus operations.

# Intercity Passenger Rail Service

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- Pandemic-related service changes continue; the Vermonter service north of New York will resume service on July 19.
- The Valley Flyer is still operating reduced service with one round trip per day.
  - Discussions with Amtrak and state partners continue regarding timing for resuming this service